I. **AMENDMENTS**

Listing of The Claims Α.

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Claims 1 to 67 (Canceled)

Claims 68 to 85 (Withdrawn)

86. (Currently Amended) An intracorneal insert for introduction into the cornea of a

human eye, said insert comprising a physiologically compatible polymer comprised of at least

one synthetic polymer and further comprising at least one elongated portion having a component

with a radius of curvature, measured along the centroidinal axis of the insert, greater than 5.0

mm, wherein the insert is adapted for implantation within a human cornea without extending into

the sight area of the cornea, with said component extending in a meridional direction thereby to

effect refractive correction.

87. (Previously Amended) The insert of claim 86, wherein said radius of curvature is

at least 5.5 mm.

88. (Previously Amended) The insert of claim 86, wherein said radius of curvature is

between 6.0 and 9.0 mm.

89. (Previously Amended) The insert of claim 86, wherein said radius of curvature is

between 7.0 and 8.0 mm.

(Previously Amended) The insert of claim 86, wherein said meridional component 90.

has a radius of curvature approximating a human corneal curvature when placed in the eye.

(Previously Amended) The insert of claim 86, having a centroidinal length of less 91.

than 3.0 mm.

92. (Previously Amended) The insert of claim 91, wherein said centroidinal length is

less than or equal to 2.5 mm.

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93. (Previously Amended) The insert of claim 91, wherein said centroidinal length is less than or equal 2.0 mm.

Claims 94 to 103 (Withdrawn)